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### 42.000 Scope of part.

This part prescribes general policies and procedures for performing contract administration functions and related audit services.

### Subpart 42.1—Interagency Contract Administration and Audit Services

#### 42.100 Scope of subpart.

This subpart prescribes policies and procedures for obtaining and providing interagency contract administration and audit services in order to (a) provide specialized assistance through field offices located at or near contractors' establishments, (b) avoid or eliminate overlapping and duplication of Government effort, and (c) provide more consistent treatment of contractors.

#### 42.101 Policy.

(a) Agencies requiring field contract administration or audit services are encouraged to use cross-servicing arrangements with existing contract administration and contract audit components to preclude duplicate demands being made upon contractors (see 42.102(a) for the directories of cognizant offices). The customer agency and the servicing agency shall enter into a formal cross-servicing arrangement when the volume of work or other circumstances warrants a formal understanding.

(b) Multiple reviews, inspections, and examinations of a contractor or subcontractor by several agencies involving the same practices, operations, or functions shall be eliminated to the maximum practicable extent through the use of cross-servicing arrangements.

(c) OMB Circular No. A-73, Audit of Federal Operations and Programs, states executive branch policy on audit cross-servicing arrangements. As further provided in OFPP Policy Letter 78-4, Field Contract Support Cross-Servicing Program, (1) agencies shall use cross-servicing arrangements for the audit of costs incurred under contracts of two or more agencies being performed at the same business entity,